

Financial Sanctions Notice

03/03/2022

South Sudan

Introduction

- 1. The South Sudan (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/438) were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 (the Sanctions Act) and provide for the freezing of funds and economic resources of certain persons, entities or bodies involved in actions, policies or activities which threaten the peace, stability and security of South Sudan or undermine efforts to resolve the political crisis and armed conflicts in South Sudan.
- On 3 March 2022 the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office updated the UK Sanctions List on GOV.UK. This list provides details of those designated under regulations made under the Sanctions Act. A link to the UK Sanctions List can be found below.
- 3. Following the publication of the UK Sanctions List, information on the Consolidated List has been updated.

Notice summary

- 4. The following entry has been amended and is still subject to an asset freeze:
 - Michael Makuei LUETH (Group ID: 13610)

What you must do

5. You must:

- i. check whether you maintain any accounts or hold any funds or economic resources for the persons set out in the Annex to this Notice;
- ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources and any funds which are owned or controlled by persons set out in the Annex to the Notice
- refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available (directly or indirectly) to such persons unless licensed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI);
- iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with the Regulations;
- v. provide any information concerning the frozen assets of designated persons that OFSI may request. Information reported to OFSI may be passed on to other regulatory authorities or law enforcement.
- 6. Where a relevant institution has already reported details of accounts, other funds or economic resources held frozen for designated persons, they are not required to report these details again.
- 7. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Further Information

- 8. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be found obtained from the South Sudan financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website:

 https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases
- Further details on the UN measures in respect of South Sudan can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage: https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/
- 10. The Consolidated List can be found here:

 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets

11. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list

12. For more information please see our guide to financial sanctions:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-financial-sanctions-guidance

Enquiries

13. Non-media enquiries about the implementation of financial sanctions in the UK should be addressed to:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury 1 Horse Guards Road London SW1A 2HQ ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk

- 14. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: sanctions@fcdo.gov.uk
- 15. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 16. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: SOUTH SUDAN

THE SOUTH SUDAN (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/438)

AMENDMENT

Deleted information appears in strikethrough. Additional information appears in italics and is underlined.

Individual

1. LUETH, Michael Makuei

Title: Minister DOB: --/--/1947. POB: South Sudan a.k.a: (1) LUETH MAKUEI, Michael, Makuei (2) MAKUEI, Michael (3) MAKUEI, Michael, Makuei, Lueth (4) LOWETH, Michael Makue Nationality: (1) Kenya (2) South Sudan (3) Sudan Position: (1) Acting Governor of Southern Leich State (2) Government Spokesperson (3) Minister for Information and Broadcasting (4) Minister of Information, Broadcast, Telecommunication and Postal Services Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): SSU0001 (UK Statement of Reasons): Michael Makuei Leuth has held the position of Minister for Information and Broadcasting since 2013 and has been the public spokesman for the government delegation to the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) peace talks. Makuei has obstructed the political process in South Sudan, in particular by obstructing the implementation of the Agreement on the Resolution of the Conflict in South Sudan (ARCSS) of August 2015 through inflammatory public statements and obstructing the work of the ARCSS Joint Monitoring Evaluation Committee and the establishment of the ARCSS Transitional Justice Institutions. He has also obstructed the operations of the UN's Regional Protection Force (RPF). Makuei is also responsible for serious violations of human rights, including restrictions on freedom of expression. Since the Revitalised ARCSS was signed (R-ARCSS) in September 2018, Makuei has continued to undermine the prospects for peace in South Sudan. (Gender): Male Listed on: 03/02/2018 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 10/02/2022 *03/03/2022* **Group ID**: 13610.

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